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## Subject: Add CA certificate authentication to TcpSocket Class

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Hello Mirek:

I found the HttpRequest and TcpSocket can not support CA certificate function, this may be have the mitm issue. So I add some code to TcpSocket and SSL class for solve this problem.

The steps are as flows:

1. At Core/Inet.h and Core/Socket.cpp

```
String          CAcert;
void            SSLCAcert(const String& cert, bool asn1 = false);
```

```
void TcpSocket::SSLCAcert(const String& cert, bool asn1_)
{
    CAcert = cert;
    asn1 = asn1_;
}
```

2. At Core/SSL/SSL.h and Core/SSL/Socket.cpp

```
class SslContext
{
public:
    SslContext(SSL_CTX *c = NULL);
    ~SslContext()          { Clear(); }

    bool  IsEmpty() const          { return !ssl_ctx; }

    bool  Set(SSL_CTX *c)          { Clear(); return !(ssl_ctx = c); }
    bool  Create(SSL_METHOD *meth) { return Set(SSL_CTX_new(meth)); }
    void  Clear()                  { if(ssl_ctx) { SSL_CTX_free(ssl_ctx); ssl_ctx = NULL; } }
    SSL_CTX *Detach()              { SSL_CTX *c = ssl_ctx; ssl_ctx = NULL; return c; }

    operator SSL_CTX * () const    { return ssl_ctx; }

    bool  CipherList(const char *list);
    bool  UseCertificate(String certificate, String private_key, bool cert_asn1 = false);
    void  VerifyPeer(bool verify = true, int depth = 2);

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    bool  UseCAcert(String CAcert, bool cert_asn1 = false);

private:
    SSL_CTX *ssl_ctx;
};
```

```

bool SslContext::UseCAcert(String CAcert, bool cert_asn1)
{
    ASSERT(ssl_ctx);
    if(IsNull(CAcert))
        return false;
    SslCertificate ca;
    if(!ca.Load(CAcert, cert_asn1))
        return false;

    X509_STORE * castore = SSL_CTX_get_cert_store(ssl_ctx);
    if(castore == NULL)
        return false;

    if(!X509_STORE_add_cert(castore, ca))
        return false;

    return true;
}

```

```

bool TcpSocket::SSLImp::Start()
{
    LLOG("SSL Start");

    ...

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    if(socket.CAcert.GetCount())
    {
        context.VerifyPeer(true);
        context.UseCAcert(socket.CAcert, socket.asn1);
    }

    return true;
}

```

```

dword TcpSocket::SSLImp::Handshake()
{
    int res;
    ERR_clear_error();
    if(socket.mode == ACCEPT)
        res = SSL_accept(ssl);
    else
        if(socket.mode == CONNECT)

```

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    res = SSL_connect(ssl);
else
    return 0;
if(res <= 0) {
    int code = GetErrorCode(res);
    if(code == SSL_ERROR_WANT_READ)
        return WAIT_READ;
    if(code == SSL_ERROR_WANT_WRITE)
        return WAIT_WRITE;
#ifdef PLATFORM_WIN32
    if(code == SSL_ERROR_SYSCALL && socket.GetErrorCode() == WSAENOTCONN)
#else
    if(code == SSL_ERROR_SYSCALL && socket.GetErrorCode() == ENOTCONN)
#endif
        return WAIT_WRITE;
    SetSSLResError("SSL handshake", res);
    return 0;
}
socket.mode = SSL_CONNECTED;
cert.Set(SSL_get_peer_certificate(ssl));
SSLInfo& f = socket.sslinfo.Create();
f.cipher = SSL_get_cipher(ssl);
if(!cert.IsEmpty()) {
    f.cert_avail = true;
    f.cert_subject = cert.GetSubjectName();
    f.cert_issuer = cert.GetIssuerName();
    f.cert_serial = cert.GetSerialNumber();
    f.cert_notbefore = cert.GetNotBefore();
    f.cert_notafter = cert.GetNotAfter();
    f.cert_version = cert.GetVersion();
    f.cert_verified = SSL_get_verify_result(ssl) == X509_V_OK;
}

if(socket.CAcert.GetCount() > 0)
{
    if(f.cert_verified == false)
    {
        SetSSLError("SSL CA invalid");
    }
}

return 0;
}

```

3. After the change, we can use the HttpRequest like this:

```
HttpRequest http;  
http.Host(m_ip).Port(m_port).Post(strRequest);  
http.SSL(true);
```

```
String cacrt = "xxxx"; //a string of PEM CA myca.crt  
http.SSLCAcert(cacrt);  
String strContent = http.Execute();
```

if the CA cert is not the server.cert's CA ,then report an error.

The CA and Server cert steps:

```
//1. Gen CA file. myca.key, myca.cert  
openssl genrsa -aes256 -out myca.key 2048  
openssl rsa -in myca.key -out myca.key  
openssl req -new -x509 -days 3650 -key myca.key -out myca.crt -subj  
"/C=CN/ST=SD/L=YT/O=xx/OU=CA/CN=MYCA/emailAddress=youremail@xxx.com"
```

```
//2. gen server.key and server.crt  
openssl genrsa -aes256 -out server.key 2048  
openssl rsa in server.key -out server.key
```

```
openssl req -new -key server.key -out server.csr -subj  
"/C=CN/ST=SD/L=YT/O=xxx/OU=RD/CN=xxx/emailAddress=youremail@xxx.com"
```

```
openssl x509 -req -days 3650 -in server.csr -CA myca.crt -CAkey myca.key -CAcreateserial -out  
server.crt
```

## File Attachments

1) [Socket&SSL.zip](#), downloaded 151 times

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